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Mr. Allen Biaggi  
Environmental Management Specialist  
State of Nevada  
Department of Environmental Conservation  
and Natural Resources  
Division of Environmental Protection  
Capitol Complex  
Carson City, NV 89710

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Dear Mr. Biaggi:

Reference your letter of February 25 requesting additional information and further study concerning our diesel fuel oil pipeline leak at Las Vegas, Nevada, February 5:

Based on visual inspection by the Railroad supervisor in charge of pipeline repair, the loss of diesel fuel is estimated at less than 3,000 gallons which soaked into the ground, however, this cannot be substantiated from our inventory records. If further study indicates a more precise estimate, will advise. This pipeline runs from above-ground storage tanks to our westbound locomotive fueling facility, a distance of approximately 3,000 ft. Although this pipeline is less than five years old, due to corrosion on the exterior of the pipe, we are currently purchasing materials to replace this line.

To answer your last two questions concerning possible route of migration of the spilled fuel oil and discussion of possible remedial action, will require our doing our site specific hydrogeologic study of the leak site at Las Vegas, the planning for which has already started. This study will require approximately 60 days to complete. Therefore, request that we be granted an extension of 60 days to make a thorough study of this pipeline leak and submit a full report.

Yours very truly,

H. P. PATTERSON  
Room 1214

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